

Two-tailed P values and Hypothesis Tests:

Purpose	Test statistic	Decision rule or p value	Notes
Compare 1 mean to a benchmark (large sample)	$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_{null}}{S / \sqrt{n}}$	Reject null if $ z > z_{\alpha/2}$ $p = 2 \times \Pr(Z > z)$	If $\alpha = .05$, $z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96$ If $\alpha = .01$, $z_{\alpha/2} = 2.58$ If $\alpha = .10$, $z_{\alpha/2} = 1.65$
Compare 1 proportion to a benchmark (large sample)	$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_{null}}{\sqrt{\frac{p_{null}(1-p_{null})}{n}}}$	Reject null if $ z > z_{\alpha/2}$ $p = 2 \times \Pr(Z > z)$	Critical values as above
Compare 2 means from independent samples (large samples)	$z = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)_{null}}{\sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{n_2}}}$	Reject null if $ z > z_{\alpha/2}$ $p = 2 \times \Pr(Z > z)$	Can use this if both $n > 30$.
Compare 2 means from independent samples (small samples)	$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)_{null}}{\sqrt{s_p^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}}$ $s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$	Reject null if $ t > t_{\alpha/2}$ Get t critical value from t table with $df = n_1 + n_2 - 2$ $p = 2 \times \Pr(T > t)$	Must assume variables have approx. normal distributions with equal variance for the subpopulations.

<p>Compare 2 proportions from independent samples</p>	$z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - D_{null}}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}}$ $\hat{p} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{n_1 + n_2}$	<p>Reject null if $z > z_{\alpha/2}$</p> <p>$p = 2 \times \Pr(Z > z)$</p>	<p>For large subsamples only (each n at least 30).</p>
<p>Compare 2 means from paired samples</p>	$z = \frac{\bar{D} - \mu_{D_0}}{\frac{s_D}{\sqrt{n}}}$	<p>Reject null if $z > z_{\alpha/2}$</p> <p>$p = 2 \times \Pr(Z > z)$</p>	<p>Use same formula with t distribution for small sample (if differences are distributed approx. normal).</p>

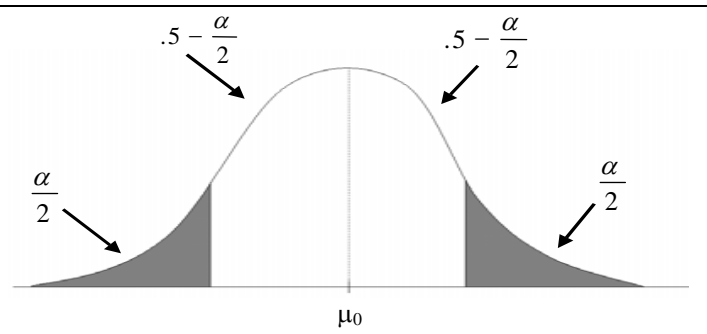
Hypothesis Test Procedure: Is our sample information far enough away from the null that it is inconsistent?

1. Establish hypotheses $H_0: \mu = ?$ $H_a: \mu \neq ?$
2. Set the decision rule:
Draw a picture; pick α ; Find $z_{\alpha/2}$ or $t_{\alpha/2}$ If $|z| > z_{\alpha/2}$ then reject the null hypothesis.
3. Find z or t statistic (like z-score)
4. Compare test statistic to critical value. Reject or no reject?

Rejection Regions (In Grey)

Is $|z| > z_{\alpha}$? That is, is our test statistic too far from the null value for us to believe our sample came from that population?

Then reject the null hypothesis.



P value (Observed significance) Procedure:

What's the chance of getting a sample value at least this far away from the null if the null is true?

1. Establish hypotheses $H_0: \mu = ?$ $H_a: \mu \neq ?$
2. Find estimate of mean and SE
3. Find test statistic (like Z score)
4. Find p value (probability) associated with test statistic from t or Z table
 $p = \Pr(|Z| > \text{test stat}) = ??$ (DF = n-1 if use t table)